Wilson's Phalarope (*Phalaropus tricolor*)

Species Assessment Scores*

State rarity:	4
State threats:	3
State population trend:	3
Global abundance:	3
Global distribution:	5
Global threats:	4
Global population trend:	4
Mean Risk Score:	3.7
Area of importance:	2

^{*} Please see the <u>Description of Vertebrate Species</u> <u>Summaries (Section 3.1.1)</u> for definitions of criteria and scores.



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Landscape -community Combinations of Highest Ecological Priority

Ecological Landscape	Community
Central Lake Michigan Coastal	Emergent marsh
Central Lake Michigan Coastal	Northern sedge meadow
Central Lake Michigan Coastal	Submergent marsh
Central Sand Plains	Emergent marsh
Central Sand Plains	Northern sedge meadow
Central Sand Plains	Submergent marsh
Northwest Sands	Emergent marsh
Northwest Sands	Northern sedge meadow
Northwest Sands	Submergent marsh
Southeast Glacial Plains	Emergent marsh
Southeast Glacial Plains	Northern sedge meadow
Southeast Glacial Plains	Southern sedge meadow
Southeast Glacial Plains	Submergent marsh

Threats and Issues

- Protection of large sedge meadows greater than 100 acres in size is of paramount importance.
 Drainage/alteration/contamination of large sedge meadows or grass-dominated meadows is a major concern. This species prefers sedge meadows interspersed with shallow open water (about 15% cover of water).
- Need to identify threats during migration and on wintering grounds.

Priority Conservation Actions

- Track all breeding season occurrences, identify critical breeding habitat, and describe breeding microhabitat site characteristics.
- Determine statewide population and monitor changes in population over time.
- Determine protection and acquisition priorities of critical breeding habitat.

- Include this species in wetland landscape-scale research and planning projects.
- Develop management plan for this and other sedge meadow-dependent species.